



Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemoration Program



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The following pages are provided by the Pennsylvania Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) as a guide in obtaining the “Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin” as provided by the Vietnam War 50th Anniversary Commemoration program (displayed here) →



Purpose: To recognize, thank and honor United States military Veterans who served during the Vietnam War.

Eligibility: Living United States Veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces at any time during the period of November 1, 1955 to May 15, 1975, regardless of location, are eligible to receive on lapel pin.

Presentation: These lapel pins will be presented in a dignified manner to each Vietnam Veteran during public events held in their communities by Commemorative Partners. Accompanying remarks should reflect the nation’s thanks for their service and sacrifice. In the rare instance when an honoree cannot attend a public event, the pin may be presented during a private ceremony.

The above is an excerpt from the Commemorative web site. The full “Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin” fact sheet can be found at: http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/assets/1/7/Veteran_Lapel_Pin_Fact_Sheet.pdf

Three options are available to obtain lapel pins to present to living Vietnam Veterans (instructions provided on the following pages). The Pennsylvania DMVA will conduct events/ceremonies throughout the calendar year as part of our honor/duty as a Commemorative partner. The Pennsylvania DMVA will post these events to the Commemorative web site. The Pennsylvania DMVA will also notify (to the best of their ability) Veterans Service Organizations, Veterans, elected officials, etc... when these events are planned.



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Option 1: Find a Commemorative Partner close to you. Go to the following web site and find a Commemorative partner near you. Commemorative Partner Web Site <http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/>
You can look up Commemorative partners by name (alphabetical)
http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/commemorative_partners/commemorative_partner_listing/

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Secretary of Defense Ash Carter shakes the pinning him at a ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Day in Washington, DC. [Read More](#)

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COMMEMORATIVE PARTNER LISTING

- 1/5 Vietnam Veterans Association
- 1/50 Infantry Association
- 100th Meridian Museum
- 101st Airborne Division Association
- 101st Airborne Division Association, Michigan Chapter
- 101st Airborne Division Association, Rocky Mountain Eagles Chapter
- 114th Fighter Squadron
- 11th Armored Cavalry's Veterans of Vietnam and Cambodia
- 12th District, American Legion, Department of



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Option 2: Find a Commemorative event near you. Click on “Commemorative Events” from the home page. Enter Event Country; “United States”, State; “PA”, Dates/date range you wish to search for an event. In the example below, I searched for “United States”, “PA”, “5/2/2016” to “5/31/2016” and several events have appeared in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. A list defining each event will populate below the map displayed in this guide. <http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/events/>

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Secretary of Defense Ash Carter and a Vietnam veteran shake hands after a wreath-laying ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington DC on Vietnam Veterans Day, March 29, 2016. [Read More](#)

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Event Search

Event Name: Dates: 5/2/2016 - 5/31/2016

Event Country: United States City:

State: PA Zip: Distance

Event Category: -- select event category --

Total Events: 6 Total Partners: 9765



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Option 3: Become a Commemorative Partner.

http://www.vietnamwar50th.com/commemorative_partners/commemorative_partner_program_online_application_forms/

Follow the instructions provided online at the web site provided above.

Home > Commemorative Partner Program > Application Forms - Online

COMMEMORATIVE PARTNER PROGRAM - ONLINE APPLICATION FORMS

All applicants are required to submit the appropriate Commemorative Partner Program Application (Civilian Organization Application/DoD Component and Military Installations Application), plus the "Commemorative Partner Statement of Understanding." You may submit the "Statement of Understanding" by mail, fax or scanned email. In order for us to start processing, we must have three different point of contacts and their information on the application and two signatures on the Statement of Understanding, one of which must be the Chairperson.

If you have any questions about the application process, please contact Mr. Thomas Graft at Thomas.O.Graft_ctr@mail.mil. If you have legal questions regarding the application process, please contact our general counsel at: John.F.McCarthy44.civ@mail.mil. The email addresses provided to us in the application will automatically be signed up to receive the newsletter and any special updates related to The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration. You will have the option to opt out via the email that acknowledges the receipt of your application.

Thank you for assisting a grateful nation in thanking and honoring our Vietnam War Veterans and their families.

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